

**George Washington to Thomas Jefferson, February 1,
1791, from Thomas Jefferson and the National Capital.
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Washington to Jefferson

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My dear Sir:

Nothing in the enclosed letter superceding the necessity of Mr. Ellicots proceeding to the work in hand I would thank you, for requesting him, to set out on thursday; or as soon after as he can make it convenient: also for preparing such instructions as you may conceive it necessary for me to give him for ascertaining the points we wish to know; *first*, for the *general* view of things, and *next* for the more accurate and final decision.

Yrs. Sincerely and affly

[Pp. 206–7, WRITINGS OF WASHINGTON, Fitzpatrick, Vol. 31; p. 56, HISTORY OF WASHINGTON, Tindall.]